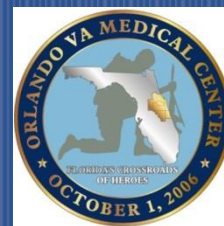




Department of Veterans Affairs

# The Pharmacy VALOR Program



Orlando VA Medical Center

## *Department of Veterans Affairs Learning Opportunities Residency— VALOR Program*

The Orlando VA Medical Center (OVAMC) Pharmacy Service invites highly motivated pharmacy students to apply for our competitive training experience. Our program will provide outstanding students the opportunity to experience

both the clinical and management aspects of pharmacy at a rapidly growing VA Medical Center. This program will help facilitate the transition from pharmacy student to professional pharmacist.

### *Program Overview*

Our Pharmacy VALOR scholar will be exposed to inpatient, outpatient, and administrative areas of clinical pharmacy practice. Opportunities for learning include didactic experiences as well as competency-based clinical practice with a qualified pharmacy preceptor. The following clinical areas may be included on a



## *Orlando VAMC*

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Officially established in October 2006, the Orlando VA Medical Center is one of the Top 100 Companies in Central Florida for working families. The new medical campus in Lake Nona includes a 120-bed Community Living Center, 60-bed Residential Rehabilitation Program, 134-inpatient beds, and provides acute care, complex specialty care, advanced diagnostic services, and a large multispecialty outpatient clinic. OVAMC also includes Outpatient Clinics in Orlando (Lake Baldwin), Viera, and Daytona Beach as well as four Community Based Outpatient Clinics located in Clermont, Kissimmee, Tavares, and Orange City.

rotation: Inpatient (medical or surgical critical care units, emergency department/interim care, inpatient general medicine), Extended Care (nursing home, intermediate care), Primary Care (pharmacotherapy clinics, women's health, home based primary care, outpatient pharmacy services), and Specialty Pharmacy (anticoagulation, cardiology, ESA/anemia, infectious disease, mental health, neurology, oncology, pain, transplant). Pay is competitive with a typical work schedule, Monday to Friday, 8:00AM to 4:30PM, dependent on rotation. Scheduling will be flexible if the VALOR scholar is invited to continue interning during the academic year, which may include evening or weekend shifts.

We aim to provide the VALOR scholar an in-depth understanding of various roles of pharmacy personnel within the medication use system. Ultimately, the goal of this competitive program is to attract, train and retain exceptional clinical pharmacists who desire to build their career within the VA healthcare system.

## Eligibility Criteria

- Current 2<sup>nd</sup> year pharmacy students enrolled in an ACPE accredited Doctor of Pharmacy program
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale in professional curriculum
- United States citizens
- Meet physical examination standards at the time of entry
- Ability to complete a minimum of 400 internship hours the summer after 2<sup>nd</sup> professional year
  - Appointment on a part-time basis may be extended during the 3<sup>rd</sup> professional year
- Students are ineligible to apply if:
  - The student has a service obligation to any Federal, State, or private institution
  - The student receives a Federal scholarship that incurs a service obligation

## How to Apply

- Cover letter
- Application
- Curriculum vitae
- Official college transcripts
- Letter from the Dean/Director of the School or College of Pharmacy which includes:
  - Nomination of the student
  - Verification of enrollment as full-time student
  - Successful completion (or upcoming completion) of 2 years of pharmacy education
  - Anticipated graduation within two years after entry into the Pharmacy VALOR Program
- Two letters of recommendation
- After applications are reviewed, the final group of applicants will be invited for an onsite tour and interview

### Point of Contact

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# Orlando VA Medical Center VALOR Pharmacy Program—Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

*Last* *First* *Middle*

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

<i>Number</i>	<i>Street</i>	<i>Apt No</i>
<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip Code</i>

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**EDUCATION:**

College of Pharmacy: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree (s): \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Date of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Other College: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree (s): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Professional Training: \_\_\_\_\_

**The following must be received by Wednesday, March 15 to complete the application:**

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- Application
- Curriculum Vitae
- Official college transcripts
- Letter from Dean/Director
- Two letters of recommendation

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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